# B Y - L A W S Montgomery Improvement Association <br> <br> - OF THE - <br> <br> - OF THE - <br> <br> ARTICLES I - OFFICERS 

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The principal of the corporation in the State of Alabama shall be located in the City of Montgomery, County of Montgomery. The corporation may have such other offices, cither within or withour the State of Alabama, as the board of directors may determine or as the affairs of the corporation may require from time to time.

The corporation shall have and continuously maintain in the State of Alabama a registered office, and a registered pgent whose office is identical with such registered office. The legistered office may be, but need not be, identical with the principal office in the State of Alabama, and the hddress of the registered office may be changed from time to time by the board of directors.

## ARTICLE II - MEMBERS

Section 1. Qualification of Members. Membership in this organization shall be compused of individuals who recognize the caluc of freedom, have an urge for the enjoyment of freedom and full citizenship, and are will. ing in discipline themselves to pay full price for these benefits.

Section 2. Clases of Members. The corporation shall have no classes of members, but all members shall bc on equal setting.

Section 3. Voting Rights. Each member shall be entilled to one vote on each natter submitted to a vote of the members.

Section 4. Termination of Membership. The board of directors, by affrmative vote of two thirds of all of nien:bers of the hoard. may suspend or expel a member far ceuse.

Section 5. Resignation. Any member may resign by filing a writen resignation with the secretary.

Section 6. Reinsiatement. Upon written request signed by a forner member and filed with the secretary, the board of directors, by the affirmative vote of two thirds of the members of the board. may reinstate such former member to membership upon such terms as the beard of nirectors may deem anpropriate.

Section 7. Transfor of Membership. Membership in this romnaration is nat ponnefermber arsienable.

## ARTICLE 11 - MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Annual Mesting. An annurl meeting of the nembers be held at a place designated by the board of directors of ?he corporation on the first Monday in the month of December in each year, bexisning with the year oi injob, at the hour of eight o'clock $\Gamma . M$. fo the purpose of electing directors and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meetiug. If the day fixed for the annual meeting shall be 2 legal heliday in the State of Alahama, such meeting shall he huln on the next succeeding business day. If the election of directors shall not he he'd on the day desimnated herein for any annual meeting, or at any adjournment there. of. the boart of istectors shall carse the eeection to he held at a special mecting of the members as soon thereafter as conveniently may be.

Section 2. Special Mectings. Special Meetings of the memhors may be enlled hy the president, vice-pres. ident, chairmin nf the board, their appointees or the majnity of the board of directors.

Section 3. Place of Meeting. The brard of dircetors may designate any place cither within or without the State of Alabama. is the place of meeting for any innual meeting or for any special meeting called by the bonrd of directors.

Section 4. Notice of Meeting. Written notice, princod motice. or br pitimation in the newssaper, statine the phoce, day ant hour of any meeting of membars abou! ba :clensed nt Imast in Nays pring to the date of the necringe. In cose of a sponial meeting or when retruiresi by statute or by these hy-laws, the purpose of purposory fon which the meeting is culled shall be stated in the notice.

Section 5. Informal Action by Members. Any nction requited by law to be taken at a neeting of the members, or any action which may be taken at a meeting of members. mas be taken without a meeting if a consent in writing, setting forth the action to taken, sha! bu sig:tent by at seast one half of the members entitled to vote with respect to the subject matter thereof.

Secion 6. Quorum. The nrembers holding ten per of the rotes which may be cast at any meeting shall constitute a quoram at such meeting. If a quorum is not present at any mee:ing of members, a majority of the members present may uujourn the meeting from time to thme without further notice.

Section 7. Proxies. At any meeting of members, a member en i:ls, to rote may vote by proxs executed in writing by the member or by his duly authorized attorney-in-fact. No proxy siall be valid after eleven month: from the date of its execution, unless otherwise provided in the proxy.

Section 8. Voting by Mail. Where directors or ofticers are to be elected by the members, such election may be conducted by mail in such manner as the board of directurs shall determine.

## ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 1. General Powers. The affairs of the corpuration shall be managed by its hoard of directors. Directors necd not be resideni of Montgomers: Alabania bist members of the corportion; provided however, that wo thir:'s of t::e Board of Directors shall be residents of the State of Alabama.

Section 2. Term of Office. The initial boand of dicectors shall consist of ten members: however, the bnard of directors may from time to time iicrease the pombership of the bnard of uirectors to .... ...... members. The trem of office of the board of dirwitors shall be three jeare, one rhird rexiring annually unless re+lacted. Provided, however, that the entire board of directors shall draw lot to determine which member shall reire after the first year, the sceond year and third year. The board may elect its own chairman.

Section 3. Regular Meetings. A regular annual mecting of the board of directors shall be held without nther notice than this by-law, immediately aiter and at the same place, as the annual meeting of members unless otherwise stated. The board of directors mily provide by resolution the time and place, either within or without the State of Alabama, for the holding of additional reqular meetings of the board without other notice than such resolution.

Section 4. Special Meetiogs. Special meetings cif the boand of divectors shall be given at least two days previousiy thereto by notice delivered personally or sent by mail $n$ iellegram or telephone to each director at his address as shown by the records of the corporation. Any director may waive rotice of any meeting. The attendasce of a director at any meering simit cwosiiluic is wairer of notice of such meetirg. except where a director itterds a metring for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or con:ened. The business to be transacted at the meeting need not be specified in the notice of waiver of notice of such meeting, unless specifieally required by law or bs these by-laws.

Section 5. Quorum. A majority of the borirl of directros shall monstitute a qu:orum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the board; hut if less than a najority of the directors are present at suid meeting, a majority of the tirectors present may adjourn the mectins frem time to time Jithout further notice.

Section 6. Manner of Acting. The act of a majority of the directors present as a meeting at which a Guorum is present shall be the act of th; board of directors, unless the act of greater number is required by law of hy these he-laws.

Section 7. Vacancies. Any vacancy occuring if tho reasn nf an inmrease in the number of directors shali bo sonjed of directnis and any directorship to be filled by filled hy the horer of directors A director culected to
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Section 8. Compensation. Dífetors as such shall not receive any stated salaries for their services, but hr resolution of the board of directors a fixed sum and expenses of attenitance, if any, may be allowed for attendance at such regular or special meeting of the board: but nothing herein contained shall be construed to preclude any directot from serving the corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation thereof; provided however, that no paid-salary empolyee can be a voting member of the board.

## ARTICLE V - OFFICERS

Section 1. Officers. The officers of the corporation shall be a president, one or more vice-presidents (the number thereof to be determined by the board of directors), a secretary, a tereasurer, and such other officers as may be elected in accordance with the provisions of this article. The board of directors may elect or appoint such other officers as it shall deem desirable, such nfficers to have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, froin time to time, by the beard of directors.

Section 2. Election and Term of Office. The Officers of the corporation shall be elected annually by the hnard of directors at the regular annual meeting, such clection shall he held as soon thereqfier as conveniently may be. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the board of directors. Each officer shall told office until his successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified.

Section 3. Removal. Any officer elected or appointed by the board of directors may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the members of the buard of directors whenever in its judgement the best interests of the corporation would be served thereby.

Section 4. Vacancies. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification, or ntherwise, may be filled by the hoard of directors for the unexpired por"ion of the term.

Section 5. President. The president shall be the principal executive officers of the corporarion and shall in general supervise and control all of the business and affiars of the corporation, He may sign with the secretary or any other proper officer of the corporation authorized by the board of directors, any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the board of directors have authorized to be executed, except in cases where the gigning and executing thereof shall be expressly delegated by the board of directors or by thess by-laws or by statute to some other nfficer or agent of the corporation; and in general he shall perform all Juties incident to the office of the president and such other duties as max be prescribed by the board of dijectors from time to time.

Section 6. Vics-President. In the absence of the president or in event of his inabiiity or refusal to act, the vice-president (or in the event there be more than one vice-presidents in the order of their election) shall perfnrm the duties of the president, and when sn anting. shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the president. Any vice president shall perform such dutics as from time to time may be assigned to him by the president or by the board of directors.

Section 7. Exp. Treasurer. If required by the hoard of directors, the treasurer shall give a bund for the faithful discharge of his duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the board of directors shall determine. He shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corboration from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust componies, or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article VII of these by-laws: and general perform all the duties incident tn the office of treasurer and such other duties as from tife to time may be assigned to him by the president or hy the hoard of directors.

Section 8. Secretary. The secretary shall keep the minuter of the mectivas of the membery nenf of the boant: of directors in one no more hooks provided for that nurpase; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisinns of these broluws or as required hy law; be custorlian of the corporate records and of the
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 corporation under its spal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws; keep a register of the pust wifice address of each member which stall be furnished to the secretary by such member; and in general perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to tim uy the president or by the board ot directors.

Section 9. Assiatant Treasurers and Aasistant Secvetaries. If required by the board of directors, the assistant treas"rer shail g ve bonds for the faithful disrharge of their daties in such sums and with such sureties as the goard oid lirectors shall determine. The assistant treasurers and assistant secretaries, in general, shall parform suzh duties as shall be assigned to them by the treasurer or the secretary or by the president or the board of directors.

## ARTICLE VI - COMMITTEES

Sec:ion 1. Executive Committee. The board of directors may appoin: an executive committee of not less than nor more than ten members of the board to surve until the lis day in the moath of November of each year. The said committee shall have the general supervision of the afairs of the corporation in the absence of the entire board of directors. The president of the corporation shall be a member of the executive coinmittee. The executive commitee shall meet monthly and special meetings may be called by a majority of the committee by the giving of written notice thereof to the nther members. A majority of the members of the commititec present and voting shall be binding as to the action taken.

Section 2. Nominating Committec. The board of tirectors, not less than thirty days before the annual mee ing of the members, shall appoint a nominating committee to consis: of seven members. Four of the members of said committce shall not be members of the board of directors. The nominating committee shall return for nomination for membership on the boart of directors one-half more than the vacancies to be filled, three-fif'hs to be elected by members of the corporation and two-fifths by the board.

Section 3. Other Committees. Other conmittees not having and exercising the authority of the board of directors in the management of the corporation may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Except as otherwise provided in such resolu. tion, members of each committee shall be members of the corporation, and the president of the corporation, and the president of the corporation shall appoint the members thereof. Any member thercof may be removed by the person or person authorized to appoint such member whenever in their judgment the best interests of the corporation on shall be served by such removal.

Section 4. Term of Office. Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the next annual mecting of the members of the corporation and until his successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner ternsinated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualifiy as a member thercof.

Section 5. Chairman. One member of each commirtee shall be appointed chairman by the person or persons authorized to appoint the members thereof.

Section 6. Vacancies. Vacanies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.

Section 7. Quorum. Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the board of directors designating a committee, a majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present thi!! his the sect of the enmmittec.

Section 8. Kulea. Each committee may muph ruida for its own government not inconsistent with these bylows or with rules adopted by the board of dircecors. ARTICLE VII - CONTRACTS, CHECKS, DEPOSIT,

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Section 1. Contracts. The board of directors may authorize any officer or offices, agent or agents of the corporation, in addition to the officers so authorized by these by-laws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

Section 2. Cheeks, Drafts, etc. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtness issued in the name of the corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agents or agent of the corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the board of directors.

Section 3. Deposits. All funds of the corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the corporation in such banks, trust companies, or other depositaries as the board of director may select.

Section 4. Gifts. The board of directors may accept on behalf of the corporation any contribution, gift, bequest, or devise for the general purposes or for any special purpose of the corporation.

Section 5. Audit. The Books of the corporation shall be audited before each annual meeting.
ARTICLE VIII - CERTIFICATE OF MEMBERSHIP
Section 1. Certificates of Membership. The hoard of directors may provide for the issuance of certificates evidencing membership in the corporation which shall be in such form as may be determined by the board. Such certificates shall be signed by the president or a vice-president and by the secretary or an assistant secretary and shall be sealed with the seal of the corporation. If any certificate shall become lost, mutilated or destroyed, a new certificate may be issued thereof upon such terms and conditions as the board of directors may determine.

Section 2. Issuance of Certificates. When a member has been elected to membership and has paid any initiation fee and dues that may then be required, a certificate of membership shall, be issued in his name and delivered to him by the secretary. if the board of directors shall have provided for the issuance of certificates of membership under the provisions of Section 1 of this Article VIII.

ARTICLE IX - BOOKS AND RECORDS
The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of accouts and shall also keep min-
utes of the proccedings of its nembers, board of directors, and commitiees havings any of the authority of the buard of directors, and shall keep at the registered or principal office a record giving the names and addresses of the members entitled to vote. All books and records of the corporation are the exclusive property of the corporation and shall not be inspected by anyone without the express authority of the board of directors.

## ARTICLE X - FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of the corporation shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of Deceniber of each year.

## ARTICLE XI - DUES

Section 1. Annual Dues. The board of directots may determine from time to time the amount of initiation fee, if any, and annual dues, if any, payable to the corporation by members.

ARTICLE XXI - AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAWS
These by-laws nay be altered, amended or repealed and new by-laws may be adopted by a majority of the d'rectors present at any regular meeting or at any soecial meeting, if at least 10 days written notice is given of intention to alter, amend, or repeal or to adopt new hy-laws at such meeting.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: ${ }^{\text {P }}$ That we the undersigned, being all members of the Board of Directors of the Montgomery Improvement Association, hereby assent to the foregoing by-laws and adopt them as the by laws of said corporation.

In witness wherenf, we have hercunto subscribed our names, this .......... day of ................................................
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KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS: That the undersigned secretary of the corporation does hereby certify that the above and foregoing by-laws were duly adopted by the members of said corporation, as the by-laws of said corporation, on the .... ................. day of 1956, and that they do now constitute the by-laws of said corporation.
Attest:
Secretary

